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on a Novel IL-1B Mutation*

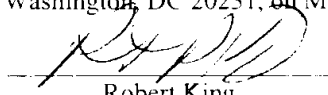
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2000, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in an effort to put the claims in condition for allowance and/or to reduce the issues on appeal. A clean set of claims as amended are shown below. A set of claims with the standard brackets and underlines indicating changes amended is provided on separate sheets. A Notice of Appeal and a separate Letter to the Draftsperson are also filed herewith.



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